

BEFORE THE
ISCIPLINARY HEARING COMMISSION
OF THE

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR,

Plaintiff

COMPLAINT

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WILLIAM D. ORANDER, III, Attorney,

Defendant

Plaintiff, complaining of Defendant, alleges and says:

- 1. Plaintiff, the North Carolina State Bar ("State Bar"), is a body duly organized under the laws of North Carolina and is the proper party to bring this proceeding under the authority granted it in Chapter 84 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, and the Rules and Regulations of the North Carolina State Bar (Chapter 1 of Title 27 of the North Carolina Administrative Code).
- 2. Defendant, William D. Orander, III ("Orander"), was admitted to the North Carolina State Bar in 1995, and is, and was at all times referred to herein, an attorney at law licensed to practice in North Carolina, subject to the laws of the State of North Carolina, the Rules and Regulations of the North Carolina State Bar and the Rules of Professional Conduct.

Upon information and belief:

- 3. During all or part of the relevant periods referred to herein, Orander was engaged in the practice of law in the State of North Carolina and maintained a law office in Goldsboro, Wayne County, North Carolina.
- 4. Orander was the closing attorney for numerous real estate transactions from about January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2006 in which individuals purchased property financed by loans secured by that property, including those transactions listed on attached Exhibit A.
- 5. For the real estate closings on the list attached as Exhibit A, Orander prepared HUD-1 Settlement Statements that falsely reflected that the loans were refinance loans as opposed to purchase loans and provided those false HUD-1 Settlement Statements to the lending institutions.

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- 6. Orander prepared and submitted the false refinance HUD-1 Settlement Statements in conjunction with others who sought to disguise the purchase transactions as refinance transactions.
- 7. The institutions making the loans for the closings listed in Exhibit A underwrote the loans as if they were refinance loans rather than purchase loans. In several instances, the amount loaned exceeded the purchase price of the house, and the borrowers received money from the closings.
- 8. Orander knew that the lenders would loan more money to the borrowers for a refinance loan than for a purchase loan at the time of the conduct described herein.
- 9. Orander prepared the false refinance HUD-1 Settlement Statements to enable the borrowers to borrow more money than otherwise would have been approved for a purchase loan.
- 10. The institutions that made the loans to the borrowers as listed in Exhibit A are institutions the accounts of which were insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).
- 11. It is a violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1014 for a person to make a false statement to an institution the accounts of which are insured by the FDIC for the purpose of influencing the action of the institution, punishable by a fine up to \$1,000,000.00 and imprisonment of up to 30 years.
- 12. By submitting false refinance HUD-1 Settlement Statements to the lenders in the closings listed on Exhibit A, Orander knowingly made false statements to institutions the accounts of which were insured by the FDIC for the purpose of influencing the action of those institutions in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1014.
- 13. By preparing false refinance HUD-1 Settlement Statements, closing transactions with false refinance HUD-1 Settlement Statements, and providing the executed closing documents with the false refinance HUD-1 Settlement Statements to the lenders in the closings listed on Exhibit A, Orander violated 18 U.S.C. § 2 by aiding others in making false statements to institutions the accounts of which were insured by the FDIC for the purpose of influencing the action of those institutions in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1014.

THEREFORE, Plaintiff alleges that Defendant's foregoing actions constitute grounds for discipline pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 84-28(b)(2) in that Defendant violated the Rules of Professional Conduct in effect at the time of the conduct as follows:

(a) By preparing and providing the lenders with false refinance HUD-1 Settlement Statements, Orander committed criminal acts that reflect adversely on his honesty, trustworthiness, or fitness in other respects in violation of Rule 8.4(b) and engaged in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, and misrepresentation in violation of Rule 8.4(c); and

(b) By preparing and providing the lenders with false refinance HUD-1 Settlement Statements and closing transactions in which he knew the lender had received false refinance HUD-1 Settlement Statements, Orander assisted others in committing fraud upon the lender in violation of Rule 8.4(a), Rule 8.4(b), Rule 8.4(c), and Rule 1.2(d).

## WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays that:

- (1) Disciplinary action be taken against Defendant in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. § 84-28(a) and § .0114 of the Discipline and Disability Rules of the North Carolina State Bar (27 N.C.A.C. 1B § .0114), as the evidence on hearing may warrant;
- (2) Defendant be taxed with the costs permitted by law in connection with this proceeding; and
- (3) For such other and further relief as is appropriate.

The 14th day of October 2009.

James R. Fox, Chair Grievance Committee

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AMENDED COMPLAINT

WILLIAM D. ORANDER, III, Attorney,

Defendant

COMES NOW the North Carolina State Bar, Plaintiff, pursuant to Rule 15 of the North Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure and prior to service of any responsive pleading in this case, and amends its Complaint as follows:

- 1. The Complaint filed in this case references an Exhibit A. Exhibit A was not attached to the Complaint when it was filed, however. The Complaint is hereby amended to attach Exhibit A. The Exhibit A referenced in the Complaint is attached to this Amended Complaint.
  - 2. In all other respects Plaintiff's Complaint remains unchanged.

This is the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 2009.

Jennifer A. Porter

Deputy Counsel

The North Carolina State Bar

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Raleigh, NC 27611

Attorney for Plaintiff

Signed by counsel alone with the approval of the chairperson of the Grievance Committee pursuant to 27 N.C. Admin. Code 1B § .0113(m).

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that the foregoing Amended Complaint was hereby served on William D. Orander, III by depositing it in the United States Mail, postage prepaid to counsel for the Defendant, Mr. Stephen Smith, at the following address:

Stephen T. Smith Attorney at Law P.O. Box 150 Raleigh, NC 27602

This the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 2009.

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